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Dear Sir:

In compliance with 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicants hereby supplement their Information Disclosure Statement mailed on October 15, 1999, by submitting a copy of the European Patent Office search report for the corresponding European application. Applicants also request that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application. Copies of these documents are enclosed herein.

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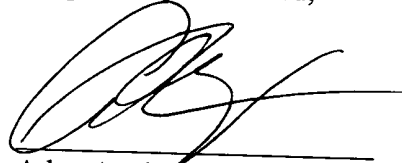
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In particular, the EPO examiner cited US Patent No. 5,213,913 as "particularly relevant if taken alone" (Category X). Further, the EPO examiner cited US Patent No. 5,144,217 and the Patent Abstracts of Japan and JP 09 073890 as "indicating technological background and/or state of the art" (Category A).

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To discuss any aspect of this disclosure statement, or any other aspects of this application, the Examiner should call the undersigned Applicants' representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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